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IN RE APPLICATION OF

AUWERX ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/568,637

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FOR: INHIBITION OF S6 KINASE ACTIVITY FOR THE TREATMENT OF
INSULIN RESISTANCE

MS: Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of December 24, 2008, Applicants elect the claims of Group I, claims 15-17, drawn to methods comprising the use of an antibody inhibitor of S6 kinase I.

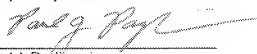
A one month extension of time is filed herewith. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$130 for payment of the extension fee.

Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the subject matter of any non-elected claim groups in one or more divisional applications. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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